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10. (Unclassified - DFM) Talked to Ed Kenney, Professional Staff Member, Senate Armed Services Committee, about the letter from [REDACTED] M. D. to Senator Strom Thurmond (R., S. Car.). Kenney referred me to Col. Cowan, of Senator Thurmond's staff, who in turn referred me to Roger Russe, also of Senator Thurmond's staff.

11. (Unclassified - DFM) Called Bob Harmel, OMB, to clarify some points in the letter to Mr. Colby from Walter W. Haase, OMB, regarding the OMB draft bill granting individuals access to their Governmental records. He said that in spite of earlier assurances that we need not provide cost estimates, that OMB now wanted us to furnish these figures for both exempt and non-exempted categories of information. He also stated that OMB still wants our views on the OMB alternate draft to H. R. 12206 dated 12 July and revised 16 July, and invites our comments on H. R. 16183.

12. (Unclassified - GLC) Twenty-four members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and Marian Czarnecki, Staff Director of the Committee, visited the Agency for breakfast with the Director and a number of senior Agency officials. The Director briefed the members on the intelligence community structure and on the functions of the Agency in general terms and then entertained questions. Representative Benjamin Rosenthal (D., N. Y.) and Representative Donald M. Fraser (D., Minn.) pressed the Director on the Agency's role in affairs in Greece. Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) pressed his point about Committee jurisdiction over the Agency's operations since he feels those operations affect foreign policy. The Director countered that our activities are conducted in furtherance of foreign policy and at the direction of the policy makers. The meeting lasted one hour and thirty minutes and most members seemed to feel that it was a worthwhile session.

13. (Confidential - GLC) Talked to Bill Jones and Lawson Moyer of State Department regarding State's proposed follow up answer to the inquiry from the Muskie Surveillance Subcommittee. We had some difficulty in agreeing on how the Subcommittee's request for access to the CIA/State instruction on reporting to ambassadors should be handled and we said we would regroup with our people and be back in touch.

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